IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Adam et al. Confirmation No. 9001

Serial No. 10/608,296 Art Unit: 1634

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Title Diagnosing Predisposition to Fat Attorney Docket No. 11640-009-999

Deposition and Associated Conditions

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

Applicants have carefully considered the final Office Action mailed December 27, 2006, in connection with the above-captioned Application. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendments and remarks that follow is respectfully requested.

This paper includes:

Amendment to the Claims beginning on page 2;

Remarks beginning on page 6.

Also submitted are:

- (1) a Request for Continued Examination;
- (2) a Request for Extension of Time for three months including and up to <u>November 27, 2007</u>.